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2 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	2
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	3
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CHEFS DIET ACQUISITION CORP.,	5 January 9, 2015
6 d/b/a CHEFS DIET,	6 10:48 a.m.
7 Plaintiff, CASE NO. 14-CV-8467(JMF)	7
8 V.	8 CONFIDENTIAL/ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY
9 LEAN CHEFS, LLC, NICHOLAS ZAZZA and ARTHUR GUNNING,	9 deposition of NICHOLAS ZAZZA, held at the
and AKTHOK GONNING,	offices of Pryor Cashman, Seven Times
Defendants.	11 Square, New York, New York, pursuant to
11X	Notice, before Annette Arlequin, a
12	13 Certified Court Reporter, a Registered
*CONFIDENTIAL *	14 Professional Reporter, a Certified LiveNote
13 14 * ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY *	15 Reporter, a Certified Realtime Reporter,
15 DEPOSITION OF NICHOLAS ZAZZA	and a Notary Public of the State of New
16 New York, New York	17 York.
Friday, January 9, 2015	18
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24 Reported by:	24
ANNETTE ARLEQUIN, CCR, RPR, CRR, CLR	25
25 JOB NO. 88724	
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2 APPEARANCES:	2 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by
3	3 and between the attorneys for the
4	4 respective parties herein, that filing and
5 PRYOR CASHMAN LLP	5 sealing be and the same are hereby waived;
6 Attorneys for Plaintiff	6 IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED
7 7 Times Square	7 that all objections, except as to the form
8 New York, New York 10036	8 of the question, shall be reserved to the
9 BY: JAMES S. O'BRIEN, JR., ESQ.	9 time of the trial;
10 ANDREW M. GOLDSMITH, ESQ.	10 IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED
11	that the within deposition may be sworn to
MEREDITH & KEYHANI PLLC	and signed before any officer authorized to
13 Attorneys for Defendants'	administer an oath, with the same force and
14 330 Madison Avenue - 6th Floor	effect as if signed and sworn to before the
15 New York, New York 10017	15 Court.
BY: DARIUS KEYHANI, ESQ.	16
17 BY: DARIUS RETHAMI, ESQ.	17 - 000 -
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2	What time period?	2	Basically I would just say there was a recording
3	While you were working for them.	3	system. That's what I would say. As far as me
4	MR. KEYHANI: Well he was working	4	working for CDAC or Chefs Diet Acquisition
5	before the asset 11:25AM	5	company. Again I have no agreements with them. 11:26AM
6	MR. O'BRIEN: For CDAC.	6	The only agreement I have with them is, you
7	MR. KEYHANI: Okay.	7	know, one where they promised to pay me back
8	MR. O'BRIEN: Listen to the	8	but that never happened.
9	questions.	9	Q. Were you personally doing work for
10	MR. KEYHANI: You can answer the 11:25AM	10	CDAC? 11:26AM
11	question,	11	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You
12	Q. Let me read it back.	12	can answer the question.
13	A. Sure.	13	A. I was not doing work. I would say I
14	Q. Was there a recording system in place	14	was trying to assist them.
15	at CDAC while you were working for them. 11:25AM	15	Q. I don't want to play games about 11:26AM
16	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You	16	words?
17	can answer the question.	17	A. I don't want to either but when I
18	A. Okay.	18	do something for somebody I expect to get paid
19	MR. KEYHANI: We haven't established	19	and that's kind of a work type of thing. So.
20	foundation whether he was working for CDAC. 11:25AM	20	Q. Irrespective of your compensation, 11:27AM
21	MR. O'BRIEN: Counsel, the record	21	did you perform tasks for CDAC in your personal
22	will say what it says.	22	capacity?
23	MR. KEYHANI: You can answer the	23	MR. KEYHANI: Objection the form to
24	question.	24	the extent it calls for a legal conclusion.
25	A. Was there a recording system? 11:26AM	25	You can answer the question. 11:27AM
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2	A. Yes, I have done work for Chefs Diet	2	A I'm not rooth, you know at this
3	Acquisition Corp not work. I have done	3	A. I'm not really you know at this
4	things for Chefs Diet Acquisition corp. I	4	point I'm not am I expecting money now? Is
5	wouldn't call it work. 11:27AM	5	that what you're saying?
6	Q. What kinds of things did you do?	6	Q. My only question is, do you feel that 11:28AM
7	A. Help them move their kitchen from the	7	your owed money?
8	original location. I was able to help Kevin	8	A. Yeah. I do feel I'm owed money, yes.
9		9	Q. Are you a member of Lean Chefs? MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You
10	negotiate a deal for a company called merry makers to fulfill all of their meals. 11:27AM	10	
11	I set up a photograph system where	11	
12	they would be able to take pictures of the food	12	Q. Do you understand what I mean?
13			A. Am I a partner in Lean Chefs?
14		13 14	Q. Partner, member, stockholder, do you
15		15	have an economic interest in that company?
16	It really, countless number of 11:28AM things.	16	A. Yes. 11:29AM Q. What is the nature of your interest?
17	Q. Did you assist them in marketing?	17	
18	A. I tried to assist them in marketing,	18	
19	yeah.	19	
20		20	A. 45 percent. Somewhere between 45 and 46 percent. 11:29AM
21		21	
22	A. Again, I would try to do something with them.	22	Q. Did Zazza Technologies provide
23			services to CDAC?
24	Q. I take it it's your position that you	23	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You
		24	can answer the question.
25	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. 11:28AM	25	 A. I believe it was just Digi PBX at 11:30AM

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2	A. Again, during the transition of Chefs	2	You know, there's conflicting reports
3	Diet to Chefs Diet A C there was a lot of papers	3	of exactly how many shares I have between Kevin
4	floating around that time. They were taking all	4	telling me how many shares I have versus the old
5	the companies and all the entities and they were 02:23PM	5	partners telling me how many shares I have. 02:24PM
6	going to be doing it. So they wanted to merge	6	Q. Have you ever written a letter or
7	everything into one type of deal.	7	written the company a letter asking them to tell
8	The last minute they pulled out and	8	you how many shares you own?
9	really had all the debt to that company.	9	A. Yes. And that's where I got the two
10	Q. They didn't, Chefs Diet Acquisition 02:23PM	10	different answers from. 02:25PM
11	did not acquire the assets of the national	11	Q. Can you tell me or estimate for me
12	company?	12	when it was that you or your company stopped
13	A. Okay.	13	providing services to CDAC?
14	Q. Correct?	14	A. Which company? Zazza Technologies,
15	A. Not from me, that's for sure. 02:23PM	15	Digi Analytics? 02:25PM
16	Q. Yet, you did get stock in CDAC?	16	Q. Let's start with Zazza Technologies.
17	A. The stock I've gotten is from CDAC,	17	A. I would have to look through my
18	yeah.	18	bills. I don't know even know whether CDAC ever
19	Q. Is it your understanding that you	19	paid anything to Zazza Technologies. But I do
20	were supposed to get any money under or from the 02:24PM	20	have to look. 02:25PM
21	Asset Purchase Agreement?	21	Q. You personally did work for CDAC,
22	A. I was under the impression I was	22	right?
23	supposed to get some type of money from the	23	A. Yes.
24	Asset Purchase Agreement as long as it entailed	24	Q. And correct me if I'm wrong, but I
25	Chefs Diet At Home. 02:24PM	25	think you said this morning that, there came a 02:25PM
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	point in time when you and your companies didn't do any more work for CDAC. Do I have that right? A. We didn't get paid for any work that 02:26PM was done, I would say. Q. Okay.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	I expect compensation. This was me trying to do the right thing in order to get my money back. Q. I understand. I'm not saying you didn't do the right thing. I'm trying to find 02:27PM out, did there come a point in time when you no longer provided any services to CDAC?
8	 We didn't get compensated for any 	8	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form.
9	work.	9	A. I don't do anything for them now so
10	Q. Okay. There is a compensation which 02:26PM	10	there had to be a time that I stopped doing 02:27PM
11	stopped at a certain point; is that right?	11	services for CDAC.
12	A. From	12	Q. You don't know when that was?
13	Q. From CDAC.	13	A. Paid services or?
14	 I would have to see if we have ever 	14	Q. Any services. Forget about paid.
15	got a payment from CDAC. I think it was still 02:26PM	15	A. You mean helping them out? 02:27PM
16	getting payments under zone Chefs Diet At	16	Q. Yes.
17	Home, not Chefs Diet At Home, Chefs Diet	17	A. I don't have an exact date of that.
18	Delivery, which is Chefs Diet middle Chefs Diet,	18	Q. Let's talk about Lean Chefs for a
19	whatever.	19	moment.
20	Q. But it's true, isn't it, that after 02:26PM	20	A. Sure. 02:28PM
21	the Asset Purchase went through, you continued	21	Q. When did you first hear about the
22	to provide services to CDAC for some period of	22	possible creation of the company that would come
23	time?	23	to be Lean Chefs?
24	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form.	24	A. When have we one more time, I'm
25	 A. When I provide a service to somebody, 02:27PM 	25	sorry. 02:28PM

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2	(Document review.)	2	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You
3	A. The same email.	3	can go ahead.
4	Q. This is a series of or a couple of	4	A. I believe Raz had a problem with it
5	emails between you and USA Web Solutions, right? 03:18PM	5	because, you know, you just don't want to give 03:20PM
6	A. This is a lesser version of this	6	out the database, a database. I'm sorry, ask
7	email, of the first Exhibit 10. This is part of	7	the question one more time?
8	the chain. Unless you marked the wrong one?	8	Q. I asked you what do you recall about
9	Q. Do you recall	9	USA Web's response to your request for the
10		10	database? 03:20PM
11	two separate exhibits or is this the same.	11	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You
12		12	can answer the question.
13		13	A. I believe they just asked for
14	Q. Slightly different. Sorry, we'll	14	approval. They wanted approval from management.
15		15	Q. And you said that, just a moment ago, 03:20PM
16	A. Okay.	16	you know, you just don't want to give out the
17		17	database. Why is that?
18		18	A. Give me the whole context, how I put
19		19	that?
20	Chefs Diet for the active and inactive clients? 03:19PM	20	Q. Your answer was 03:21PM
21	What do you recall about their response to you?	21	A. What was the context of the question?
22	1 0 1 4 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	22	Q. Do you not remember saying that?
23	Q. If they responded.	23	A. I don't remember the context of the
24		24	question.
25	A. Raz 03:20PM	25	Q. The question was the same question, 03:21PM
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2	what do you recall about their response to you?	2	MR. O'BRIEN: He's not a lawyer.
3	MR. KEYHANI: And I objected to the	3	It's okay.
4	form.	4	Q. It's confidential, right?
5	MR. O'BRIEN: Yes. 03:21PM	5	MR. KEYHANI: 03:22PM
6	Q. And you said, I believe Raz had a	6	Α.
7	problem with it because, you know, you just	7	MR. KEYHANI: Objection calls for
8	don't want to give out the database, a database.	8	speculation for a legal conclusion.
9	My question to you is, why not?	9	A. It's company data.
10	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You 03:21PM		Q. Which is confidential, right? 03:22PM
11	can answer the question.	11	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. It
12	A. You don't want to give out a	12	calls for a legal conclusion.
13	database. You don't want to give it out.	13	MR. O'BRIEN: Counsel you made.
14	Q. Why not?	14	 It wasn't confidential to me.
15	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You 03:21PM	15	Q. Why not? 03:22PM
16	can answer.	16	 A. Nobody ever asked me to signed a
17	A. I'm trying to think about, you know,	17	confidentiality agreement.
18	how to answer. It's company data.	18	Q. Was it your understanding when you
19	Q. It's confidential, right?	19	requested the Chefs Diet database for purposes
20	MR. KEYHANI: Objection. To form. 03:22PM	20	of launching a marketing campaign and the 03:22PM
21	MR. O'BRIEN: What is your objection,	21	company gave it to you, that you were free to
	counsel.	22	use it in any way you wanted?
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22 23	MR. KEYHANI: It's a legal conclusion	23	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You
	MR. KEYHANI: It's a legal conclusion whether or not it's confidential or not.	23 24	MR. KEYHANI: Objection to form. You can answer the question. A. No, I did not believe that. 03:23PM